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## **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

## **Listing of Claims:**

- 1-24. (Canceled)
- 25. (Original) A vehicular mirror system, comprising:
- a base adapted to be mounted to the vehicle, the base comprising a cradle extending outwardly therefrom;
- a reflective element assembly for providing a rearward reflective view to an operator of the motor vehicle;
- a support tube assembly comprising a pair of arms interconnected by a support element, wherein the pair of arms are attached to the reflective element assembly and the support element is received in the cradle; and
- a retainer mounted to the base and extending across at least a portion of the cradle to retain the support element therein;

wherein the support of the support tube assembly by the cradle has increased strength and resistance to vibration while enabling the support tube assembly to pivot relative to the base.

- 26. (Original) A vehicular mirror system according to claim 25, and further comprising a clamp adapted for attachment to the cradle to form a cylindrical channelway.
- 27. (Original) A vehicular mirror system according to claim 25, wherein the support tube assembly comprises a pair of parallel extender tubes rigidly attached at one end to a pivot tube, the pivot tube adapted to be received in the channelway with the extender tubes extending outwardly from the base;
- 28. (Original) A vehicular mirror system according to claim 25, wherein the support of the support tube assembly by the cradle has increased strength and resistance to vibration while enabling the support tube assembly to pivot relative to the base.
- 29. (Original) A vehicular mirror system according to claim 25, and further comprising a motorized powerfold assembly mounted to at least one of the base and the reflective element

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assembly for selectively pivoting the support tube assembly alongside the vehicle or laterally outwardly from the vehicle.

- 30. (Original) A vehicular mirror system according to claim 25, and further comprising a motorized powerextend assembly mounted to at least one of the base and the reflective element assembly for selectively extending the reflective element assembly laterally outwardly from the vehicle or inwardly toward the vehicle
- 31. (Original) A vehicular mirror system according to claim 25, wherein the at least one stop comprises a cylindrical body attached to an outer surface of the support tube assembly.
- 32. (Original) A vehicular mirror system according to claim 31, and further comprising two stops attached to the support element, the first stop corresponds to a first position of the reflective element assembly laterally outwardly from the vehicle, and the second stop corresponds to a second position of the reflective element assembly inwardly toward the vehicle.
- 33. (Original) A vehicular mirror system according to claim 31, wherein the retainer comprises a plate having a crimp therein for receiving a stop.
- 34. (Original) A vehicular mirror system according to claim 33, wherein the retainer is movably attached to the base adjacent the cradle.
- 35. (Original) A vehicular mirror system according to claim 34, wherein the retainer is biased away from the cradle and toward the support tube assembly.
- 36. (Original) A vehicular mirror system according to claim 35, wherein the retainer is biased by a spring.